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Sir:

Transmitted herewith are an Amendment, a Supplemental Information  
Disclosure Statement, a check for the requisite fee for Supplemental Information  
Disclosure Statement and one month extension of time (\$180.00 + \$ 55.00)  
and a return postcard for filing in connection with the above-identified  
application.

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extension of time and for the petition, that may be due in connection with this  
and the attached papers or with this application during its entire pendency to  
Deposit Account No. 50-1214. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.

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Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action, mailed June 17, 2002, entry of the  
following amendment and remarks is respectfully requested:

## IN THE CLAIMS:

Please add claim 57 and replace claims 1 and 21 with the following  
claims:

57. (New) A composition, comprising two biopolymers, wherein:  
the first biopolymer is linked to an insoluble support by a reversible  
linkage; and  
the second biopolymer is linked to the first biopolymer by a reversible  
linkage, wherein the first biopolymer is selected from a nucleic acid, enzyme,  
receptor and peptide.

1. (Amended Three Times) A composition, comprising two biopolymers,  
wherein: